

*Inquiries of the Ministry***VETERANS AFFAIRS****AMENDMENT RESPECTING WITHDRAWAL OF
365-DAY PROVISION**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Jack McIntosh (Swift Current-Maple Creek): Mr. Speaker, several days ago I directed a question to the Minister of Veterans Affairs which was taken as notice by the acting minister for that department. I wonder if the acting minister now has an answer to the question respecting the 365 day clause to which I was referring?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the minister I will take this further question as notice.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT**SUBSTITUTION OF INSIGNIA ON MAIL BAGS**

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Postmaster General. Is it a fact that his department has made arrangements with the penitentiaries branch for the manufacturing or making of mail bags with "Royal Mail" deleted therefrom, and with "C.P." or "P.C." in its place?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Côté (Postmaster General): Mr. Speaker, I am not aware of this. I will take the question as notice, but I must say that the words "Royal Mail" have never been used on mail bags.

Mr. Diefenbaker: Oh, yes? You had better take a look at them.

TRANSPORT**PORT HOPE, ONT.—REQUEST FOR PROTECTION
AT LEVEL CROSSING**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Transport. In view of the tragic, fatal accident at a level crossing at Port Hope over the week end, and in view of the fact that this was the second fatal accident at this crossing within a few months, will the minister investigate this case and, in particular, will he report on why a request from Port Hope that something be done with regard to this crossing had not been met?

Hon. J. W. Pickersgill (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, I anticipated the hon. gentleman's question, although of course I
[Mr. MacInnis (Cape Breton South).]

could not be sure who would ask it, and I have already asked the Board of Transport Commissioners if they would be good enough to give me a report as quickly as possible.

THE BUDGET**ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL MEASURES—INQUIRY
AS TO PROBABLE DATE OF INTRODUCTION**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. L. M. Brand (Saskatoon): Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the Minister of Finance if he is able to inform the house at this time of the date he is going to bring in his baby budget? In view of the imminence of Christmas and the financial consequences thereof, I would think it would be appropriate for him to tell us now.

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, I would be in a little better position if I could be a little clearer on when the house will be dealing with the pension legislation because, as I said before, this budget will be related in part to the cost of the pensions themselves.

Mr. Diefenbaker: It will not be a Santa Claus budget.

CANADIAN ECONOMY**RELAXATION OF ANTI-INFLATIONARY
MEASURES**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Colin Cameron (Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Finance. In view of the suggestion contained in the third annual review of the Economic Council of Canada, which I was able to glance at very hastily, that we have now moved out of an inflationary situation and the time has come for further progress, can the minister tell us whether the government agrees with this suggestion and is preparing to relax its anti-inflationary measures?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, I doubt whether this is an adequate interpretation of the report of the Economic Council, but I can assure the hon. gentleman and other members of the house that all the considerations that are relevant will be taken into account.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for Vancouver East.

Mr. Winch: Mr. Speaker, my question has been asked.